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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT **UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, except for the following: U.S. patents and/or U.S. patent publications; and co-pending non-provisional U.S. applications filed after June 30, 2003.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, and therefore no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

WO 2003/000749 and EP 1 285 946, and the documents discussed in 1 and 2 below were cited in the International Search Report (ISR) and in the Information Disclosure Statement filed July 25, 2006; now submitted are copies, abstracts, and translations that have recently become available.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

1. The indication in the International Search Report of the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office and the submission of an English language abstract for WO 03/011978 each constitute a concise statement of relevance of WO 03/011978. Furthermore, U.S. Patent Application Publication 2004/0198885 A1 corresponds to WO 03/011978.

2. An English language abstract and a computer translation of JP 2003-96195 submitted herewith each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP 2003-96195.

3. The disclosure at pages 1 - 2 of the present specification and the submission of a partial English language translation for JP Hei-3-72527 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Hei-3-72527.

4. The disclosure at pages 1 - 2 of the present specification and the submission of a partial English language translation for JP Hei-3-47825 each constitutes a concise statement of relevance of JP Hei-3-47825.

Applicant notes that JP 2003-96195 attached hereto is submitted with only a partial machine translation because no full English language machine translation was available; if the Examiner may need a further translation, please advise.

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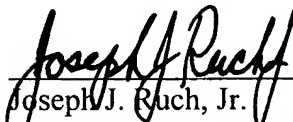
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